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PROPOSED REORGANISATION TO BRING IN AN EXTRA CADRE WORKER:
"TECHNIK", "FED", "KLOD", "TJNYC"
(1945)

From: CJOBFRK:

To: MOSCOW

No.: 398 ✓

15th October 1945

To VIKTOR(i).

In view of the [C% favourable] outlook for the development of our work here, I submit for your decision the question of sending a cadre worker to take up a permanent post as deputy head of the TASS office[OTDELENIE] in SYDNEY. If this measure were to be put into effect, it would permit us to exercise increased control of "KLOD's" [ii] [D% groups] and thereafter substantially [B% to lighten his load]. At one and the same time it would provide an opportunity for consolidating both the line indicated above and our work (Department of External Affairs [MID], intelligence services, political parties and so on) by having an appropriate agent net[AGENTUR] for each of these in the two principal cities of AUSTRALIA - SYDNEY and MELBOURNE. [i group unrecovered] the recruitment of such a worker will

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be especially favourable to the prosecution of our work. Such an opportunity must be taken advantage of, as there is not a single post in the Legation in CANBERRA which would produce such results. In the event of the appointment of a new worker exceeding the establishment of our office, I should think that using "TEKhNIK" [iii] would enable one of the lines of work mentioned by us to be brought under control. In the event of the appointment of a new worker exceeding the establishment of our office[s], I should consider it expedient to engineer "FED's" [iv] posting away from here. It is possible that he could be of greater use on other work. [C] As you know) "TAINYa" [v] is working on full pay

[11 groups unrecovered]

to use her in our line of work does not seem possible. "FED" is deeply offended by the fact that, having graduated from the Institute, he has to work as a courier of the Special Guard (SPETsOKhR/M.). However, up to now ~~it~~ has not been ~~possible to~~, doing any serious work on instructing Soviet citizens or on collecting and processing overt [LEGALNYJ] information. Translation is likewise sluggish

[19 groups unrecovered]

They are thoroughly

{Comments
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[24 groups unrecoverable]

from their [4 groups unrecovered]

No. 76(b)

EPIM(vi)

Notes: (a) This phrase is repeated as in the original.

(b) See MOSCOV's No. 235 of 29th October 1945 (3/NBP/T64) for reply.

Comments: (i) VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.

(ii) KLOD: ✓ i.e., "CLAUDE"; Walter Seddon CLAYTON.

(iii) TEKhNIK: ✗ i.e., "TECHNICIAN"; Fedor Andreevich NOGOV, TASS Correspondent in SYDNEY.

(iv) FED: ✗ Probably Aleksei Ivanovich OSIPOV, clerk at the Soviet Legation in CANBERRA.

(v) TAINYa: ✗ Probably Ksenya Nikolayevna OSIPOVA, wife of OSIPOV (Comment [iv]), who was employed on consular duties at the Soviet Legation in CANBERRA.

(vi) EPID: ✗ Semyon Ivanovich MAKAROV.

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